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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

**Kenneth P. HINCKLEY et al.**

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For: METHOD FOR DISPLAYING  
INFORMATION RESPONSIVE TO  
SENSING A PHYSICAL PRESENCE  
PROXIMATE TO A COMPUTER INPUT  
DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2002, please amend the instant application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 17, 20, 22-25, 31, 32, 38 and 39 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. (Amended) In a computer system having an auxiliary control and a display screen, a method comprising the steps of:

detecting a physical presence proximate to or contacting the auxiliary control for a first predefined period in which the auxiliary control maintains a current state;

in a first context, displaying a first display widget on the display screen responsive to said step of detecting, the first display widget providing status information associated with the auxiliary control in the first context; and

in a second context different from the first context, displaying a second display widget on the display screen responsive to said detecting, the second display widget providing status information associated with the auxiliary control in the second context.

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